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Stipends in Indian Training Schools to Indian Christian masters and mistresses.

*225 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: With reference to my question 1850, dated 26th March 1926 (L.C.P. XXIX, page 748), regarding stipends in Indian Training Schools to Indian Christian masters and mistresses, will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representations have been received by Government; and

(b) what orders have been passed thereon?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The Government do not consider that any alteration is called for in the rules regulating the grant of stipends.

Status of Indian Catholic secular clergy and Protestant pastors as secondary-grade teachers.

*226 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to refer to the debates on my budget cut motion in March 1926 (L.C.P. XXIX, page 544), and my question 176, dated 1st March 1927 (L.C.P. XXXIV, page 51), regarding the status of Indian Catholic secular clergy and Protestant pastors as secondary-grade teachers, and state what action has been taken to give adequate status to Indian Catholic secular clergy and Protestant pastors as trained teachers, especially in view of the recent representation?

A.—The question whether members of the Indian Catholic secular clergy who have passed the Matriculation examination or completed the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate course can generally be recognized as trained teachers of the secondary grade was fully examined in 1926. As it was ascertained that the technical training of a teacher did not receive adequate recognition in the courses laid down for Seminaries, it was not considered desirable to grant a *general* recognition. The Director of Public Instruction was, however, authorized to consider individual cases of the Catholic clergy as they arose and grant recognition at his discretion. The cases of Protestant pastors will also be similarly dealt with by the Director. This information was communicated to the hon. Member in reply to his interpellation No. 176, dated 1st March 1927.

Conditions for grants to Indian orphanages.

*227 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased—

(i) to place before the Council the conditions under which grants for Indian orphanages are allowed; and

(ii) to state—

(a) what time has been fixed for the submission of applications for grants for 1929–30;

(b) whether the time fixed has been found too short;

(c) whether Government contemplate extending the time therefor;

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(*d*) how many applications for the grant have been received and for what total amount; and

(*e*) how many have been granted?

A.—(i) The hon. Member is referred to Chapter XI of the Grant-in-aid Code.

(ii) (*a*) Under rule 65 of the Grant-in-aid Code applications for boarding grants should be submitted to the Director of Public Instruction so as to reach him not later than the 1st August.

(*b*) & (*c*) The Government have not received any complaint that the time allowed for the submission of applications is too short.

(*d*) & (*e*) The Government have no information.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know if the Government will be pleased to call for the information with reference to clauses (*d*) and (*e*) of this question?"

The hon. Dr P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Yes, Sir."

Local Boards

Alleged delay in payment of salaries to schoolmasters in Kasaragod taluk.

* 228 *Q.*—Mr. K. R. KARANT : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that in the Kasaragod Taluk Board (South Kanara district) the pay of schoolmasters is not promptly given but is allowed to fall into arrears from time to time;

(*b*) whether in this matter all are not treated alike but some are paid early and others late; and

(*c*) whether Government propose to enquire into this matter and take steps to prevent such delays and discrimination and how?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) A report has been called for in the matter.

Approval of tenders by the Electrical Inspector to Government.

* 229 *Q.*—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that in G.O. Mis. No. 1342, Public Works and Labour, dated 27th September 1926, the Government laid down that in cases where qualified electrical engineers were employed by the local bodies to carry out the work, the Electrical Inspector to Government need not select or approve of the selection of tenders; and

(*b*) whether they have since then modified that Government Order in any way and if so, for what reasons?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. G.O. No. 2013, L. & M., dated 30th April 1929, modifying the previous Government Order is laid on the table.[a]

[a] Printed as Appendix V on pages 575–576 infra.